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SUBJECT: TEXT OF PRESS BRIEFING, APRIL 14, ON ALLEGED CIA
ACTIVITY IN INDIA

REF: STATE 94511

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF APRIL 14 PRESS BRIEFING ON ALLEGED
CIA ACTIVITY IN INDIA: BEGIN TEXT --

Q - HAVE YOU ANYTHING FOR US TODAY ON THE LOST NUCLEAR
DEVICE IN THE HIMALAYAS?
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A - NOT MUCH, I AM AFRAID, BUT LET'S SEE. WE HAVE BEEN
IN CONTACT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ABOUT THE STORY.
THE INDIAN FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLED OUR AMBASSADOR YESTER-
DAY AND EXPRESSED INDIA'S CONCERN, BUT WE WOULD NOT CHAR-
ACTERIZE THAT MEETING AS A PROTEST ON THE PART OF THE IN-
DIANS. AS I SAID YESTERDAY, AND AS WE HAVE TOLD THE

INDIANS, WE ARE LOOKING INTO THIS MATTER. BEYOND THAT, I AM NOT GOING INTO THE DETAILS OF OUR DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGES. AS YOU KNOW, IT IS NOT OUR POLICY TO COMMENT ON ANY ALLEGED INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITY.

Q - IN WHAT WAY ARE YOU LOOKING INTO IT?

A - I THINK WE ARE CHECKING THE RECORD, GOING BACK AND TRYING TO ASCERTAIN WHAT, IF ANYTHING, MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED. I SHOULD STATE THAT WHAT I AM SAYING HERE IS NEITHER A CONFIRMATION NOR A DENIAL OF THE STORY WHICH HAS RECENTLY APPEARED IN OUTSIDE MAGAZINE. END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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